

# 2006 Nebraska Minority Health Conference

Paradigms of Health for  
Communities of Color:  
Moving Beyond Hope

October 31 & November 1, 2006  
Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center  
Kearney, Nebraska

# 2006 Nebraska Minority Health Conference

## Agenda

Tuesday, October 31, 2006

- 7:30 Registration
- 8:00-9:10 Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 9:10-10:20 **Keynote Session:** When Hope Is Not Enough: Working Together for a Better Tomorrow by **Valda Boyd Ford**, MPH, MS, RN; Director, UNMC Community and Multicultural Affairs
- 10:20-11:20 **Keynote Session:** Multicultural Medicine and Health Disparities by **Rubens Pamies**, MD, FACP; UNMC Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
- 11:20-11:30 Break, Exhibits, and Health Screenings

11:30-12:30	Prevention Track	Advocacy Track	Data Track	Key Issues Track	Policies Track
Workshop Session 1	<b>Speaker: Victoria Maclin</b> , MD; Director, Heartland Center for Reproductive Medicine	<b>Speaker: Florence Brown</b> , BSN, MPA; Asst Director, Creighton Community Health Center & <b>Juan Ramirez</b> , PhD, Research Asst, NE Center for Nursing	<b>Speaker: Carole Anne Heart</b> ; Executive Director, Aberdeen Area Tribal Chairman Health Board	<b>Speaker: Sue Dempsey</b> , MS; Risk Assessor/ Toxicologist, HHSS Public Health Assurance	<b>Speaker: Gloria Wilder Brathwaite</b> , MD, MPH; CEO, Core Health
	<b>Topic:</b> Addressing Health Disparities through Prenatal Health Care	<b>Topic:</b> Nursing Shortages and Minority Recruitment	<b>Topic:</b> Administering Health Needs to Native Americans	<b>Topic:</b> Methamphetamine Cleanup and Protection of Public Health	<b>Topic:</b> Teaching Social Justice: A Paradigm Shift

- 12:30-12:40 Break, Exhibits, and Health Screenings
- 12:40-2:30 **Lunch & Keynote Session:** My Heart Speaks a Different Language by **Carmen Tafolla**, PhD; Educational Consultant, Internationally Acclaimed Writer
- 2:30-2:40 Break, Exhibits, and Health Screenings
- 2:40-4:00 **Keynote Session:** Keeping Cultural Competence Real: Getting Past the Myths and Doing the Hard Work by **David Campt**, PhD; DWC Group
- 4:00-4:10 Break, Exhibits, and Health Screenings

4:10-5:10	Prevention Track	Advocacy Track	Data Track	Key Issues Track	Policies Track
Workshop Session 2	<b>Speaker: Edibaldo Silva</b> , MD, PhD, FACS; Associate Professor, Surgical Oncology, Creighton Cancer Center	<b>Speaker: Gwen Ratermann</b> , BA; Associate Director, University of Missouri Center for Health Policy	<b>Speaker: Gloria Wilder Brathwaite</b> , MD, MPH; President/ CEO, Core Health	<b>Speaker: Joe T. Copeland</b> , BS; Special Agent in Charge, Tennessee Bureau of Investigation	<b>Speaker: Rachel Gonzales-Hanson</b> ; CEO, Community Health Development
	<b>Topic:</b> Advances in Breast Cancer Care and Diagnosis	<b>Topic:</b> Holistic Health Policymaking: How to Play Nice in the Sandbox	<b>Topic:</b> Economic Segregation in Health Care: Using Data to Combat Injustice	<b>Topic:</b> Methamphetamine 101	<b>Topic:</b> Your Community - Your Voice - Your Responsibility

- 5:10-6:00 Networking and Refreshments
- 6:00-7:00 Visualizing Cultural Diversity: Cultural Diversity in Costume
- 7:00-8:30 Nebraska Minority Public Health Association Awards Dinner: **Vernellia R. Randall**, MSN, JD\*  
(\* Sponsored by Nebraska Minority Public Health Association)

# 2006 Nebraska Minority Health Conference

## Agenda

Wednesday, November 1, 2006

- 7:45 Registration
- 8:00-8:25 Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 8:25-9:35 **Keynote Session:** Challenges to Improving Cardiovascular Disease in Minorities by **Richard Allen Williams**, AB, MD; Professor, UCLA School of Medicine
- 9:35-11:05 **Keynote Session:** Social Justice in Health Care: Changing Disparity into Equity by **Gloria WilderBrathwaite**, MD, MPH; CEO, Core Health
- 11:05-11:30 Break, Exhibits, Networking, and Health Screenings

Workshop Session 3	Prevention Track	Advocacy Track	Data Track	Key Issues Track	Policies Track
	<b>Speaker: James Jenkins, DDS;</b> Assistant Professor, Adult Restorative Dentistry, UNMC College of Dentistry  <b>Topic:</b> Oral Health, Meth Mouth	<b>Speaker: Samuel Betances, PhD;</b> Senior Diversity Consultant, Souder, Betances, & Assoc.  <b>Topic:</b> Eliminating Prejudice: From Destructive Contact to Constructive Cooperation	<b>Speaker: DeeAnn DeRoin, MD, MPH;</b> Community Health and Wellness  <b>Topic:</b> Health Data for American Indians and Alaska Natives: Why You Need It and How to Get It	<b>Speaker: Julie Mazzucca, MS, RPH;</b> President, Meth Lab Cleanup LLC  <b>Topic:</b> Meth: Signs of the Time	<b>Speaker: Richard Allen Williams, AB, MD;</b> Professor, UCLA School of Medicine  <b>Topic:</b> History and Background of Health Care Disparities

- 12:30-12:40 Break and Exhibits
- 12:40-2:15 **Lunch & Keynote Session:** Diversity as a Plus for the Bottom Line by **Samuel Betances, PhD;** Senior Diversity Consultant, Souder, Betances, and Associates
- 2:15-2:30 Break, Exhibits, and Health Screenings

Workshop Session 4	Prevention Track	Advocacy Track	Data Track	Key Issues Track	Policies Track
	<b>Speaker: William Torrence, PhD;</b> Asst Professor, Community Health Education, UNO  <b>Topic:</b> Building Sustainable Community Health Programs: The Role of the African American Church and its Capacity to Promote Community Health Development	<b>Speaker: Syed Mohiuddin, MD, FACC;</b> Creighton University School of Medicine  <b>Topic:</b> Community-based Advocacy for Cardiovascular Disease Prevention among Minority Populations	<b>Speaker: Shinobu Watanabe-Galloway, PhD;</b> UNMC Preventive and Societal Medicine  <b>Topic:</b> The Pros and Cons of Using Existing Public Health Data to Design and Evaluate Minority/Tribal Health Programs	<b>Speaker: Gary L. Gorby, MD;</b> Chief, Infectious Diseases, Creighton University School of Medicine  <b>Topic:</b> What Do I Need to Know about this Bird Flu Everyone is Talking about?	<b>Speaker: James Mason, PhD;</b> Administrator, Oregon Office of Multicultural Health  <b>Topic:</b> Multicultural Health in Oregon

- 3:30-3:45 Break, Exhibits, Networking, and Health Screenings
- 3:45-4:45 **Keynote Session:** Faith-based Approaches to Public Health Advocacy by **Aaron Black, DMin, MTh, MPA;** Senior Pastor, Scott United Methodist Church
- 4:45-6:00 Networking
- 6:00-7:30 Statewide Minority Health Advisory Committee Dinner

## Keynote Speaker Biographies

### **Samuel Betances, PhD**

*Souder, Betances & Associates, Inc., Chicago, IL*

Dr. Betances arose from the bowels of inner city poverty, carrying the stigmas of minority group status, violence, welfare, and illiteracy in two languages. With strong spiritual convictions and a passion for reading, he has taken the hard lessons from the mean streets of life and reshaped them into his personal vision. Dr. Betances embarked on a journey from dropping out of school to a doctorate from Harvard University. Today, American's foremost communicator on the challenge of casting away barriers to success is an honored Professor Emeritus; a consultant to presidents, managers, community groups, clergy members, and educators; and a role model for youth. As a sociologist, educator, and professor for 20 years; he has taught race relations, the U.S. Latino experience, church and society, education and reform, and gender issues. His national and international travels, media exposure, sense of humor, and bilingual/bicultural roots greatly enhance his creative commitment to equity and excellence in making diversity a plus for the bottom line.

### **Aaron D. Black, Sr., DMin, MTh, MPA**

*Senior Pastor, Scott United Methodist Church, Denver, CO*

Dr. Black is also the founder and Board Chair of the Scott Family Resource Center (SFRC), an outreach ministry of the church featuring medical, social, youth, elderly, and family services. Dr. Black earned his bachelor's degree from Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Texas and went on to earn MTh, MPA, and DMin degrees from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. His experiences include serving as Senior Pastor of First United Methodist Church in Lincoln, Nebraska for almost 12 years, the longest tenured cross-racial appointment in United Methodism to date. He served as the South Central District Superintendent (based in Grand Island, NE) with administrative oversight for over 50 churches. Dr. Black was Nebraska's candidate for bishop at the 2000 South Central Jurisdictional Conference. He has taught college and seminary and served on the Governor's Commission for the Protection of Children, Madonna Rehabilitation and Urban League Boards, Lincoln Human Rights Commission, and is a graduate of Leadership Lincoln's Executive Series. In Denver, Dr. Black continues to be involved in the faith community and numerous civic and non-profit organizations in both the public and private sectors.

### **Valda Boyd-Ford, MPH, MS, RN**

*Director of Community and Multicultural Affairs, UNMC, Omaha, NE*

An acclaimed speaker and lecturer on health promotion, entrepreneurship, and cultural diversity; Ms. Ford has presented at World Health Organization conferences, the Mayo Clinic, and at venues in Wales, Saudi Arabia, Poland, China, the Caribbean, and Denmark. She is responsible for developing community collaborations that address the health of the community, especially the health of the most vulnerable populations. Her work emphasizes eliminating health disparities and promoting community involvement in the health improvement processing. She has taught in the School of Nursing at Creighton University and is the executive director of the Center for Human Diversity, which offers an intensive 10-month course on cultural competency for health care professionals. Ms. Ford also hosts *Valda's Place*, a cable television show on health and diversity issues. Ms. Ford earned an MPH from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and an MS in nursing administration from Creighton University. She is currently pursuing a Doctorate in educational administration.

### **David Wiley Campt, PhD**

*DWC Group, Washington, DC*

Dr. Campt currently provides consultation about race relations and diversity issues for United States congressional representatives, the foundation community, and national community organizations. Before becoming a consultant, Dr. Campt worked as a senior policy associate with the President's Initiative on Race at the White House from 1997 through 1998. Dr. Campt completed his doctorate in city planning at the University of California at Berkeley. His work focused on cultural competency, which concerns the challenges to institutions that attempt to become more reflective of the populations they serve. He has expertise in creating consensus among diverse constituencies for organizational visions and strategic plans, management and coordination of diverse teams, and an extensive history of strengthening the capacity of progressive organizations and individuals.



## Keynote Speaker Biographies

### **Rubens Pamies, MD**

*Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs/Dean for Graduate Studies, UNMC, Omaha, NE*

Dr. Pamies is co-author of a recently-published textbook with Dr. David Satcher, Multicultural Medicine and Health Disparities, which assists health care students and practitioners in delivering skilled and appropriate care to all patients; no matter their ethnicity, country of origin, cultural history, or access to services. It also presents hard-to-find information on differences in access to healthcare, immunization histories, disease prevalence, attitudes about health, and provision of care. Dr. Pamies was named Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and Dean for Graduate Studies at UNMC in September 2002. He previously worked with Meharry Medical College, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, the University of South Florida College of Medicine, Mount Sinai Medical Center, Case Western University School of Medicine, and the Northern Ohio Cancer Research Center.

### **Carmen Tafolla, BA, MA, PhD**

*Internationally acclaimed writer and educational consultant, San Antonio, TX*

Carmen Tafolla is a poet, author, and sought-after speaker and performer. She has published five books of poetry, seven television screenplays, one non-fiction volume, and numerous short stories, academic articles, and children's works. Tafolla has held numerous faculty and administrative positions at universities throughout the Southwest, including Assistant Professor of Women's Studies for Cultural Diversity Programming at Northern Arizona University. In 1999, the President's Peace Commission of St. Mary's University selected her for its Art of Peace Award for writing which promotes peace, justice, and human understanding. She has presented throughout the United States, England, Spain, Germany, Mexico, Canada, and Norway, providing a powerful message of individual value and cultural affirmation. Ms. Tafolla completed her PhD at the University of Texas at Austin.

### **Gloria A. WilderBrathwaite, MD, MPH**

*CEO, Core Health, Washington, DC*

Dr. WilderBrathwaite completed her doctorate in medicine at Georgetown University School of Medicine, and then earned her MPH at George Washington University. She has served as the Chair of Mobile Health Programs at Children's National Medical Center, overseeing the daily operations of the Children's Health Project of DC, a program of the nationally-recognized Children's Health Fund. In 2005, Dr. WilderBrathwaite founded Core Health, a health care solutions company dedicated to assisting providers who work to improve the quality of care for underserved populations. She is a nationally recognized expert on poverty and economic segregation in healthcare. She serves as a consultant to numerous foundations and nonprofit organizations and has written articles for national publications. She also served as an expert consultant for the Oprah Winfrey show and works with large media organizations targeting marketing to communities of need throughout the nation.

### **Richard Allen Williams, MD**

*Professor, UCLA School of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA*

Dr. Williams was awarded a full scholarship to Harvard University, from where he graduated with honors. He received his MD from the State University of New York Downstate Medical Center, and worked at the University of California San Francisco Medical Center, the Los Angeles County-USC School Medical Center, Harvard Medical School, and Brigham and Women's Hospital. He was an instructor in cardiology at Harvard Medical School, in addition to founding and directing the Central Recruitment Council of Boston Hospitals, which recruited significant numbers of black medical trainees to Boston hospitals. For three years he served as the Assistant Medical Director at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Hospital in Watts, California. Dr. Williams was the first black full Professor in the Department of Medicine at the UCLA School of Medicine. He has written numerous publications and received several awards. His book, the Textbook of Black-Related Diseases, was published in 1974 and is still widely considered a classic seminal work on the medical status of blacks. Dr. Williams founded the Association of Black Cardiologists (ABC) in 1974 and served as its president for 10 years. Currently, Dr. Williams is promoting his new concept called Humane Medicine which is designed to restructure the way in which medicine is taught and practiced in the United States.

## CME/CEU Information

### Category I Designation Statement

The Creighton University School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of *13 AMA PRA Category I Credits™*. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in this activity.

### Accreditation Statement

The Creighton University School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. **Determination of Credit is Pending.**

Nursing contact hours have been applied for through Creighton University Medical Center and are pending. Creighton University Medical Center is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Nebraska Nurses Association, an accredited provider by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

The Board of Mental Health Practice no longer approves continuing education offerings, but may accept as continuing education for certification renewal, learning experiences, provided they are planned and conducted for social workers and if they are related to social work.

The Board of Mental Health Practice does not approve continuing education offerings, but may accept as continuing education for licensure and certification renewal, learning experiences, provided they are planned and conducted for mental health practitioners and if they are related to mental health practice

## Conference Objectives

- Increase awareness of and communicate health disparities faced by racial/ethnic minorities, Native Americans, refugees, and immigrants in Nebraska.
- Identify the systemic challenges within Nebraska's public health delivery network that continue to adversely impact the access of culturally and linguistically appropriate services.
- Provide an environment for discovering, discussing, and developing strategies, approaches, and action plans to eliminate health disparities in Nebraska.
- Appraise and further develop existing capacity of Nebraska's public health infrastructure in addressing current and emerging health disparities comprehensively.
- Identify health factors and behaviors which contribute to cardiovascular disease.

## Audience

Health care professionals, administrators, educators, physicians, physician assistants, nurses, medical residents and students, policy makers and strategic planners, outreach workers, social workers, local health departments, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, and federal, state, and local health representatives.

## Cell Phones

Please respect other conference participants and place your cell phone on vibrate or turn it off during sessions. If you should receive a call, please leave the session to take the call in a commons area.

## Hotel and Parking Information

For those registrants requiring overnight accommodations, please contact: Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, 110 2nd Avenue, Kearney, NE, 68848. Call 308-237-5971 for reservations. The room rate for conference participants is \$67.95. Ask for the Minority Health Conference room rate. Free parking is available on-site.

## Infants

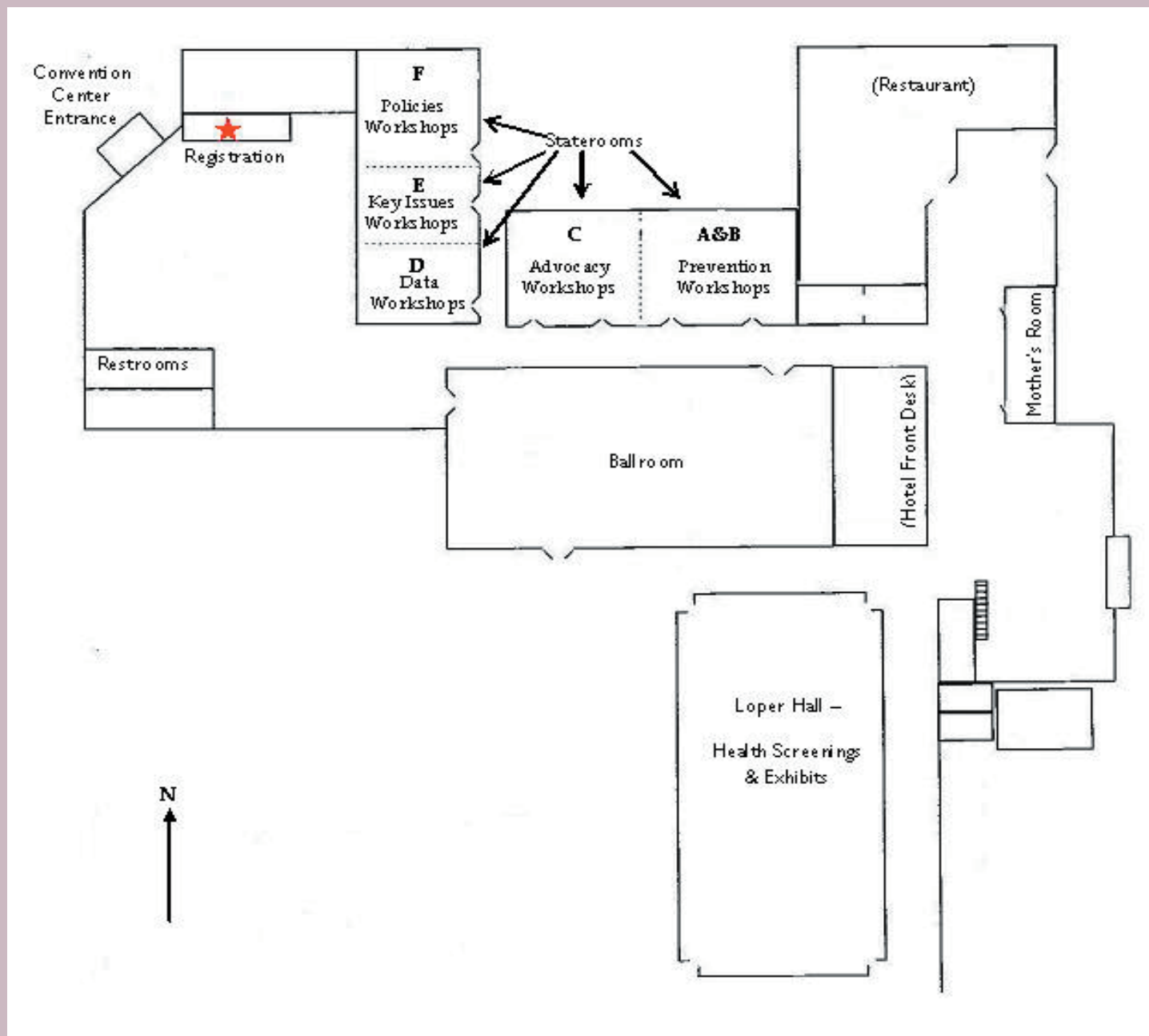
Infants under 6 months of age are welcome at the conference. Please respect the learning needs of other participants and care for your baby outside of the meeting room if your baby makes either “happy” or “sad” sounds. A Mother’s Room is also available for your use.

## Dress

Participants are encouraged to dress comfortably in layers that can be removed or added in the event of temperature fluctuations.

## Check in

Please check in at the Registration Desk in the conference center, indicated by a star on the map.





## Award Nominations 2006

TO: Nebraska Minority Public Health Association Members and Other Interested Parties

FROM: Marilyn McGary, President

SUBJECT: Minority Health Conference 2006 Award Nominations

The annual Nebraska Minority Health Conference honors outstanding organizations and individuals with recognition awards. We encourage you to nominate anyone who should be recognized for their work with racial/ethnic minorities. Award nominations should fall in the following categories:

- The **Mrs. Joyce Harrison Memorial Award** recognizes an individual who has exhibited outstanding leadership in bringing and/or improving racial/ethnic minority health services in Nebraska.
- The **Outstanding Minority Health Community-Based Program Award** recognizes a community-based program which promotes the development or provides more effective community-oriented minority health care services.
- The **Outstanding Minority Health Service Provider Award** is to honor a service provider for leadership in bringing and/or improving health services to racial/ethnic minority populations.

Nomination forms for each award are enclosed. They may also be downloaded at [www.hhss.ne.gov/minorityhealth](http://www.hhss.ne.gov/minorityhealth). Nomination forms must be received by 5:00 p.m. on October 6, 2006. Mail nomination forms to Debbi Barnes-Josiah, Office of Family Health, P.O. Box 95007, Lincoln, NE 68509-5007, or submit entire nomination by email to [debora.barnesjosiah@hhss.ne.gov](mailto:debora.barnesjosiah@hhss.ne.gov).

The final decision regarding award recipients will be announced by the Nebraska Minority Health Conference Award Committee at the conference on October 31, 2006. Materials submitted will not be returned.

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### ***About the Nebraska Minority Public Health Association...***

The Nebraska Minority Public Health Association (NeMPHA) was formed as an outcome of the 1997 Minority Health Conference as a not-for-profit corporation committed to providing leadership that results in a better quality of life for racial/ethnic minorities in Nebraska. To achieve its mission, NeMPHA works toward the following goals:

- **Advocacy** – To advocate and solicit funding for the development of effective health promotion and risk reduction strategies and services/programs for racially and ethnically diverse communities.
- **Empowerment** – To empower the racial/ethnic minority community by strengthening indigenous leadership by ensuring representation in the membership and committees of the association; sponsoring workshops, forums and conferences; conducting briefing sessions with public officials and the media; and providing technical assistance to providers in their efforts to develop and achieve their goals and conduct fund raising.

Membership in NeMPHA is open to any person interested in advocating for the health of racial/ethnic minority communities including (but not limited to) physicians, dentists, nurses, dietitians, health planners, teachers, health educators, administrators, environmentalists, legislators, health researchers, students, and consumer advocates.



# Minority Health Conference 2006 Awards

## MRS. JOYCE HARRISON MEMORIAL AWARD Minority Health Individual Award

*This award recognizes an individual who has exhibited outstanding leadership in bringing and/or improving racial/ethnic minority health services in Nebraska. Factors taken into consideration include advocating for compassionate and comprehensive health care services in communities of color, collaboration and multi-disciplinary teamwork, continuous direct and effective involvement in the racial/ethnic minority community that enhances the quality of life in his/her home area, is an influential role model to racial/ethnic minorities, involvement in education, and provides lasting contribution to the racial/ethnic minority health care system.*

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Office): \_\_\_\_\_ (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee's Contribution to Minority Health Care:

*Please describe the nominee's accomplishments and the significance of their work to minority health. A ONE page biographical sketch should be attached. You may also attach news articles and other documentation supportive of this nomination.*

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Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Please include name, phone number, and email address.)

**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2006**

All nominations must be received by 5:00 p.m. this date. Mail complete nominations to: Office of Family Health, Attention: Debbi Barnes-Josiah, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95007, Lincoln, NE 68509-5007. Or email complete nominations to [deborabarnesjosiah@hhss.ne.gov](mailto:deborabarnesjosiah@hhss.ne.gov).

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# Minority Health Conference 2006 Awards

## Outstanding Community-Based Program

*This award recognizes a community-based program which promotes the development of or provides more effective community-oriented minority health care services. Factors taken into consideration include effective networking; promoting compassionate and caring outreach to the racial/ethnic minority community on a continuing basis; community involvement leading to improved access to care and enhancement of quality of life; providing role models to the racial/ethnic minority community members, colleagues, and other health professionals; promoting health education and prevention, particularly in communities of color; and addressing cultural and linguistic needs.*

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Office): \_\_\_\_\_ (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

Counties Affected by Nominee's Work: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee's Contribution to Minority Health Care:

*Please describe the significance of this community-based program. In what ways have racial/ethnic minority people benefited? Include: history, funding, types of service provided, staffing, and interaction with community. You may attach news articles, etc. in support of this nomination.*

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# Minority Health Conference 2006 Awards

## Outstanding Service Provider Award

*Awardee is a direct service provider honored for leadership in bringing and/or improving health services to racial/ethnic minority populations. Factors taken into consideration include provision of outstanding direct health care with compassion, comprehensive and caring services; involvement in racial/ethnic minority affairs and activities of the community that enhance quality of life in the community; involvement in education; promotes inter-disciplinary health care delivery; contributes support leading to improvement of racial/ethnic minority health; and provides lasting contributions to the minority health care system.*

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Office): \_\_\_\_\_ (Home): \_\_\_\_\_

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## Workshop Speaker Biographies

**Florence Brown, RN, BSN, MPA** is the Assistant Director of the Creighton Community Health Center in Omaha, NE, where she is responsible for the operations of the research, clinical, education, and outreach programs. Ms. Brown previously served as the administrator of the Women's Community Health Center at Creighton University, clinical research nurse coordinator for the organ transplantation: kidney pancreas department at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, and as staff nurse on an oncology hematology special care unit at Immanuel Medical Center. Ms. Brown holds a bachelor's of science degree in nursing and completed her master's degree in public administration in health at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. She is a member of the American Nursing Association, the Black Nurses Association, the State of Nebraska Cancer Task Force, and the Intercultural Cancer Council for the Mid-West Region for the State of Nebraska.

**Joe T. Copeland, BS** is a Special Agent in Charge with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation in Chattanooga, TN. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Western Kentucky University in secondary education. Mr. Copeland has been investigating drug cases since 1978, including over 350 clandestine methamphetamine labs. He formed a High Intensity Drug Traffic Area task force that was made up of officers from six police and sheriff departments. In 2005, he became the Special Agent in Charge of special projects for the drug division of the TBI. In 1996 he was named the Special Agent of the Year for TBI, and in 2005 he won a special award for work performed by the task force.

**Sue Dempsey, MS** is a Risk Assessor/Toxicologist with the Nebraska Health and Human Services System Risk Assessment Program in Lincoln, NE. She received her MS from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln in environmental sciences/toxicology. In her current position, Ms. Dempsey evaluates health risks to the public from exposure to contaminants in the environment (such as water, soil, air, etc.) and ensures removal/remedial actions taken at a site are protective of public health. Risk assessments are prepared for hazardous waste sites such as Superfund and RCA sites to assist with development of regulations/ guidelines (for drinking water program, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, etc.) and to inform the public of potential health risks (such as toxic algae, methamphetamine, etc.).

**DeeAnn DeRoin, MD, MPH** is a consultant with Community Health and Wellness in Lawrence, KS. She earned her BA in psychology at the University of California-Berkeley, her MPH from the University of California, and her MD from Stanford University. Her residency was in family medicine. Dr. DeRoin is currently practicing family medicine with a focus on public health and Native Americans, health education, and community health.

**Rachel A. Gonzales-Hanson** currently serves as Chief Executive Officer of Community Health Development, Inc. in Ulvalde, TX. Ms. Gonzales-Hanson has held positions on the Texas Association of Community Health Centers' Board of Directors; and served on the Board of Directors of the Southwest Primary Care Association, National Advisory Committee on Rural Health, National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's National Advisory Committee for the Allies Against Asthma Program; and worked with Migrant Health Issues for the Bureau of Primary Health Care within HRSA. In 1995, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation presented her with the Community Health Leadership Award (one of ten given nationwide). In 1996, State Senator Judith Zaffirini presented her with a State of Texas Certificate of Excellence.

**Gary Gorby, MD** is Chief of Infectious Diseases at Creighton University Medical School in Omaha, NE. He is also the co-director for Biopreparedness Education, which is funded by HRSA and the CDC through the Nebraska Health and Human Services System. One of his functions is to prepare Nebraskans for pandemic influenza. Dr. Gorby completed his MD at Northeastern Ohio University College of Medicine.



## Registration Form

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**Deadline for Registrations is October 20, 2006. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER THAT DATE.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name (for nametag): \_\_\_\_\_

Required for CME/CEU Credits: SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ License: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle your choices of Workshop Sessions:

Tues, 10/31, 11:30-12:30	Prevention	Advocacy	Data	Key Issues	Policies
Tues, 10/31, 4:00-5:00	Prevention	Advocacy	Data	Key Issues	Policies
Wed, 11/1, 11:30-12:30	Prevention	Advocacy	Data	Key Issues	Policies
Wed, 11/1, 2:15-3:15	Prevention	Advocacy	Data	Key Issues	Policies

So that we may better accommodate you, please list any dietary or accessibility needs: \_\_\_\_\_

	Early Rates before 10/6/06	Late Rates after 10/6/06
I will be attending:		
____ October 31 & November 1	\$150	\$160
____ October 31 only	\$95	\$105
____ November 1 only	\$95	\$105
____ 2-Day Student Fee	\$65	\$75
____ 1-Day Student Fee	\$45	\$55
____ Award dinner, October 31	(included)	(included)

Registration fee includes continental breakfasts, lunches, award dinner, and conference materials.  
Students must provide proof of enrollment.

Limited Registration scholarships available. Call 402-471-0152 for details.

\_\_\_ I would like a membership to the Nebraska Minority Public Health Association. Please add \$30 to your check.

Make Checks Payable to:  
Nebraska Office of Minority Health  
FTIN 47-0491233

State employees please provide  
Billing Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Book #: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail registration form with your check  
or money order to:

Minority Health Conference  
Nebraska Office of Minority Health  
PO Box 95007  
Lincoln, NE 68509-5007

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## Workshop Speaker Biographies

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**James F. Jenkins, DDS** is an Assistant Professor with the UNMC College of Dentistry in the Adult Restorative Dentistry Department in Lincoln, NE. In addition to being an instructor, he serves as a student advocate and teaches in the prosthodontic clinic. His research interests include dental materials, practice management, and patient management. Dr. Jenkins earned his DDS at the University of Nebraska. Dr. Jenkins regularly diagnoses and treats patients with meth mouth, and teaches his students to do the same.

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**James Mason, PhD** is the Administrator of the Office of Multicultural Health in the Oregon Department of Human Services in Portland, OR and a senior project consultant at the National Center of Cultural Competence at Georgetown University. Previously, Dr. Mason served as the Multicultural Development Officer at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, Oregon. He holds a BA in psychology and a doctorate in urban studies with an emphasis on human resource development and organizational administration from Portland State University.

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**Juan P. Ramírez, PhD** is a research assistant with the Nebraska Center for Nursing, where he coordinates nursing workforce data collection, analysis and dissemination; and establishes and implements a work plan with time lines for CFN Strategic Plan objectives and outcomes. He holds both a Masters Degree and a PhD from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln in geography. Dr. Ramírez specializes in Geographic Information Systems and is applying his expertise to analyze geographic nursing data for the State of Nebraska.

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